**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re the Application of: **Satoshi ASANO et al.** Group Art Unit: **1742**

Application Number: **10/681,319** Examiner: **Kathleen A. McNelis**

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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Commissioner for Patents
P. O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

October 24, 2007

Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated July 9, 2007 for 1 month from October 9, 2007 to November 9, 2007.

The fee of $120.00 for the cost of the extension is being paid electronically by credit card. If any additional fees are due in connection with this paper, please charge Deposit Account No. 50-2866.

Respectfully submitted,

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